Silk smuggling from China

1919. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large amount of silk is smuggled into the country from China, if so, the volume and value of the same;

(b) the steps taken to stop this illegal import of silk into the country;

(c) whether illegal import of silk hurt the interest of sericulturists in the country; and

(d) the amount earmarked for sericulture development in the country for the last three year, year-wise and State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI BASANGOUDA R. PATIL): (a) to (c) Though reports are being received regarding smuggling of raw silk into the country from China through the porous Nepal and Bangladesh borders, there is no definite information about its quantity and value. However, it is expected that smuggling of silk into the country would have been curbed as steps have been taken to permit open import of raw silk by removal of quantitative restrictions.

Steps are also being taken for quantitative and qualitative expansion of sericulture in the country through research and technological development and implementation of Central and Centrally sponsored plan schemes with enhanced outlay of Rs. 450 crore during X Plan.

(d) The details of total plan funds allocated for sericulture development during the last three year is given below:

(Rs. in crore)

Year	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03
Amount	78.60	85.19	73.57

The details of funds released by CSB to different States under Centrally sponsored Catalic Development Scheme during last three years is given in the statement.

Statement

State-wise details of funds released by CSB

SI.	Name of State 2000-01	Funds released		No.
		2001-02	2002-03	
1.	Karnataka	291.65	650.51	875.38
2.	Tamil Nadu	85.14	132.28	62.32
3.	Jammu & Kashmir	37.94	71.90	225.14
4.	Andhra Pradesh	170.50	350.53	1425.86
5.	West Bengal	55.05	101.92	65.41
6.	Maharashtra	65.26	67.73	92.22
7.	Madhya Pradesh	34.70	31.57	52.59
8.	Orissa	7.60	48.74	50.62
9.	Bihar	23.36	7.00	106.27
10	Jharkhand	0.00	8.09	103.35
11	Uttar Pradesh	53.57	52.03	22.86
12	Uttaranchal	0.00	22.72	210.41
13	Kerala	25.14	19.23	38.05
T4	Gujarat	0.00	0.05	0.00
15	Punjab	1.26	3.50	0.00
16	Haryana	0.00	0.00	0.00
17	Himachal Pradesh	27.44	0.00	1.45
18	Rajasthan	0.00	0.00	0.00
19	Chhattisgarh	0.00	0.00	12.13
20	Sikkim	5.65	3.25	15.48
21	Assam	206.03	164.87	119.23
22	Arunachal Pradesh	11.25	12.03	2.67
23	Manipur	0.07	0.00	0.00
24	Meghalaya	13.87	72.98	33.11
25	Mizoram	12.90	39.27	84.49
26	Nagaland	10.32	22.82	2.94
27	Tripura	31.29	45.42	36.56
	TOTAL	1169.99	1928.44	3638.34

Implementation of scheme under DHPY in Uttaranchal

†1920. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various works and schemes being implemented in

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.